

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION

EO 98-11

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME — GREETINGS:

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER DESIGNATING THE ARKANSAS EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT AS THE STATE AGENCY TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT OF THE ARKANSAS EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the “Workforce Investment Act of 1998” requires the Governor, in order to be eligible for Federal financial assistance for state employment statistics programs under Section 309 of this Act and under Section 15 of the 1998 amendments to the Wagner Peyser Act, to designate a single agency to be responsible for the management and oversight of the state employment statistics program duties outlined in these Acts; and

WHEREAS, the designated State agency must:

1. Consult with State and local employers, participants, and local workforce investment boards about the labor market relevance of the data to be collected and disseminated through the statewide employment statistics program; and

2. Consult with State educational agencies and local educational agencies concerning the provision of employment statistics in order to meet the needs of secondary school and postsecondary school students who seek such information; and

3. Collect and disseminate for the system, on behalf of the State and localities in the State, the information described in the Act; and

4. Maintain and continuously improve the statewide employment statistics system in accordance with the Act; and

5. Perform contract and grant responsibilities for data collection, analysis, and dissemination for such system; and

6. Conduct such other data collection, analysis, and dissemination activities as will ensure an effective statewide employment statistics system; and

7. Actively seek the participation of other State and local agencies in data collection, analysis and dissemination activities in order to ensure complementarity, compatibility and usefulness of data; and

8. Participate in the development of the annual plan described in the Act; and

9. Utilize the quarterly records described in the Act to assist the State and other states in measuring State progress on State performance measures; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Employment Security Department operates a highly automated employment statistics program; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Employment Security Department operates the statewide Unemployment Insurance Program, Employment Placement Program, Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics Cooperative Programs, existing employment statistics programs required in the Wagner-Peyser Act, Career Information Delivery System, and collects from employers, unemployment insurance claimants, and job applicants most of the data required by the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Huckabee, acting under the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Arkansas, do hereby designate the Arkansas Employment Security Department as the State Agency to be responsible for the management and oversight of the Arkansas Employment Statistics Program.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 5th day of November in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred ninety-eight.



GOVERNOR MIKE HUCKABEE

SECRETARY OF STATE SHARON PRIEST